


A

some

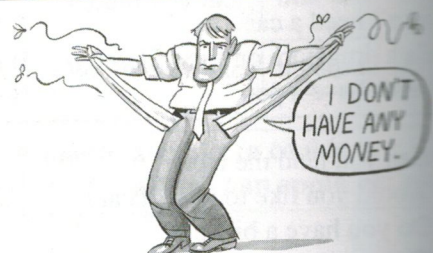


I HAVE SOME MONEY.

Use **some** in *positive* sentences:

- I'm going to buy **some** eggs.
- There is **some** ice in the freezer.
- They made **some** mistakes.
- She said **something**.
- I saw **somebody** (or **someone**).

any



I DON'T HAVE ANY MONEY.

Use **any** in *negative* sentences:

- I'm **not** going to buy **any** eggs.
- There **isn't any** ice in the freezer.
- They **didn't** make **any** mistakes.
- She **didn't** say **anything**.
- I **didn't** see **anybody** (or **anyone**).

B

any and some in questions

In most questions (but not all) we use **any**:

- Is there **any** ice in the freezer?
- Did they make **any** mistakes?
- Are you doing **anything** this evening?
- I can't find Ann. Has **anybody** seen her?

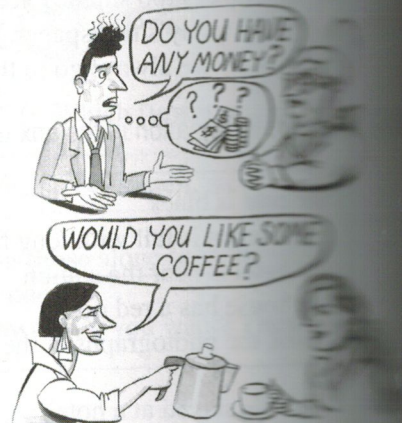
We usually use **some** (not **any**) when we offer things (**Would you like some . . . ?**):

- A: Would you like **some** coffee?
B: Yes, please.
- A: Would you like **something** to eat?
B: No, thank you. I'm not hungry.

or ask for things (**Can I have some . . . ?** /

Can you lend me some . . . ?, etc.):

- "Can I have **some** soup, please?" "Yes, of course. Help yourself."
- "Can you lend me **some** money?" "I'm sorry, I can't."



C

Compare **some** and **any**:

- We have **some** cheese, but we **don't** have **any** bread.
- I **didn't** take **any** photographs, but Ann took **some**. (= some photographs)
- You can have **some** coffee, but I **don't** want **any**. (= any coffee)
- I've just made **some** coffee. **Would you like some?** (= some coffee)
- I **don't** have **any** money. **Can you lend me some?** (= some money)

For **something/somebody/anything/anybody**, see Unit 72.

Exercises

69.1 Put in **some** or **any**.

1. I'm going to buy some eggs.
2. They didn't make any mistakes.
3. I can pay. I have money.
4. There aren't stores in this part of the town.
5. Tom and Alice don't have children.
6. Do you have brothers or sisters?
7. There are beautiful flowers in the garden.
8. Is there mail for me this morning?
9. I don't have stamps, but Ann has
10. Do you know good hotels in Miami?
11. "Would you like tea?" "Yes, please."
12. Don't buy rice. We don't need
13. We don't have bread, so I'm going out to buy
14. When we were on vacation, we visited very interesting places.
15. I went out to buy milk, but they didn't have in the store.
16. I'm thirsty. Can I have water, please?

69.2 Complete the sentences. Use **some** or **any** + one of these words:

air batteries chairs friends fruit languages milk ~~money~~
 pictures problems shampoo stamps

1. I can't buy you a cup of coffee. I don't have any money.
2. I want to wash my hair. Is there ?
3. I'm going to the post office to get
4. Can you speak foreign ?
5. I don't have my camera, so I can't take
6. Sorry we're late. We had with the car.
7. Everybody was standing because there weren't in the room.
8. It's hot in this office. I'm going out for fresh
9. Why isn't the radio working? Are there in it?
10. Can I have in my coffee, please?
11. Last night I went to a restaurant with of mine.
12. "Would you like ?" "No, thank you. I've had enough to eat."

69.3 Put in **somebody** (or **someone**) / **something** / **anybody** (or **anyone**) / **anything**.

1. She said something, but I didn't understand it.
2. "What's wrong?" "There's in my eye."
3. Do you know about politics?
4. I went shopping, but I didn't buy
5. has broken the window. I don't know who.
6. There isn't in the box. It's empty.
7. I'm looking for my keys. Has seen them?
8. Would you like to drink?
9. I didn't eat because I wasn't hungry.
10. I can do this job alone. I don't need to help me.